

WIFE TAKES HUSBANDS ADVICE

And Is Made Well Again
by Lydia E. Pinkham's
Vegetable Compound

Springfield, Mass.—"The doctor told my husband that I had to have an operation, otherwise I would be a sickly woman and could not have any more children on account of my weakened condition. I refused to have the operation. My husband asked me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to see if it would not help me. For the first

four months I could do but little work, had to lie down most of the time, was nervous and could eat hardly anything, but my husband was always reminding me to take the Vegetable Compound, which I did. Of my eight children this last one was the easiest birth of all and I am thankful for your Vegetable Compound. I recommend it to my friends when I hear them complaining about their life."

"Mrs. M. NATALE, 72 Fremont St., Springfield, Mass. Sickly, ailing women make unhappy homes, and after reading Mrs. Natale's letter one can imagine how this home was transformed by her restoration to health. Every woman who suffers from such ailments should give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a fair trial. It is surely worth while.

Short Skirt Is to Stay Awhile

American designers, writes a New York fashion correspondent, have taken their places once and for all as leaders in the ranks of fashion. Abroad one hears the women of fashion sighingly say, "Oh, if only I could have one of those American suits—or one of those American something else!" We are producing here some conspicuously beautiful creations, ones that are distinctly the expressions of our own personalities.

They accuse us of dressing all alike. Well, if we do, that is because the American women have refused to open their eyes sufficiently to the possibilities of these American creations, for they are not all designed alike by any manner of means, and any sameness in our dressing cannot be laid at the doors of the artists who are working so hard to set the pace along distinctive American lines.

The fashion shows this spring, presenting strictly American-made fashions, have been a treat to the eye. The crudities which once were apparent are fast disappearing, and one delights in a showing of American gowns as much because of their fine points of design and construction as because of their utter suitability to the figures which they are meant to adorn.

There is nothing which we do so well nor wear so well as the street suit for women, and there is nothing, really, which we like so well. When

woven special silks for the purpose. We have imported woollens and adapted them to our use.

Simplicity of Line.

The day dresses for this spring season produced by American designers are lovely in the simplicity of their lines and in the general way in which the materials have been handled. The coat dress is something which has received the stamp of approval from American women, and there are some new styles in this street frock which are very beautiful. Our afternoon clothes and some street dresses are partial to the use of cotton crepe, a heavier, and perhaps more durable version of crepe de chine. There are lovely colors in this fabric, and they have been used with great success, the trimming being very much restrained, so that the lines of the frock have every chance to tell their beauty to the world.

Gray is surely the color for American wear this season. Everything is done in gray from hats to shoes. And if the creation is not all in gray then some part of it is sure to be. Blue capes have gray linings or gray collars. Blue hats have gray trimmings. Reddish tones of trimming are applied to a gray foundation. Gray suits are the order of the day. Gray stockings are worn with black shoes, unless gray shoes are used. Always there is gray somewhere in the outfit and, since there are many tones and shades of this one color, every one of every complexion can find something in color that suits her general make-up.

Skirts here are short. Yes, they are very short, and there seems no sign that they will increase in length at present. If we adopt the longer skirts we will do it in another season, that is all there is to it, for now we are delighting in the freedom of being able to walk about without having the slightest restriction about our ankles. There are absurdities in this length of skirt, just as there are apt to be absurdities connected with any leading fashion.

Circular Skirt Is Seen.

Now and again among the newer American showings the circular skirt is seen. It is the only evidence we have of any widening of the skirt, but when it is circular it has the greatest amount of fullness used in its making.

There are so many capes among the spring wraps, and these are so graceful, that they cannot be passed by unnoticed. They are made in every fashion, from the cape of heavy homespun to that of the lightest and fluffiest of tulle or of evening wear. The cape coat has been forsaken in smart dressmaking circles for the cape on strictly cape lines, which sometimes is left severely plain, and again unbordered or heavily trimmed in some way. One of these is made of heavy black satin with its lower edge embroidered for some distance with an arrangement of gray angora wool embroidery. It has a triple flounced collar that is in itself almost another cape.

Tulle dresses are very much in favor for spring street wear. In fact, they vie with those of the cotton crepe. They have, usually, fuller skirts, being made over lines that suit their texture best.

Each of the couturiers in Paris, it would seem, has outdone himself in the creation of gowns for this latest season. The collections have been unusually large and the examples are more vivid than was expected. And the various types of gowns, it may be encouragingly reported, are thoroughly adaptable to the uses of the American woman.

Skirts Are Longer in Paris

Skirts are longer in Paris—that one point is an established thing, but, just to prove that there is never one rule to govern the French couturier, Jenny has made all of her frocks and suits with skirts as short as ever they have been. To be sure, here are the youthful types, and, at any rate, those among the American women who now are rejoicing in very short skirts have Jenny to uphold their choice; they can refer to her decision if their judgment should hang in the balance.

Poliret, on the other hand, has dropped his skirts to a point below the ankles and he is making them as full as can be, with positive puffs out over the hips. All of the other couturiers range between these two levels; Callot likes them shorter, and some one else likes them longer, so there is at least a choice, and every woman has the privilege of choosing the thing that becomes her best.

Skirts are fuller, too, than they have been. A few of them are circular in cut and another few plaited. Even the straight skirts that follow the line of the figure are allowed a little more

roominess than they have had recently, though those for suits and street dresses are kept fairly conservative in width.

The Length of Sleeves.

As for sleeves, they are not extremely short, nor can they be said to be long. They reach a line just above the elbow when they are on more normal gowns, and there are many sleeves that are long, with wide armholes and wide cuffs, no attempt being made to hold them tightly to the wrists. Necklines are subject to great latitude—there are high-necked gowns which are beautiful in the simplicity and the really great comfort with which they are constructed. This newer high neckline is a folding, wrapping, snug-giving sort of line that can only be called easy. No one would object to the soft folds of satin and wool which are now called high collars, and which, at the call of a whim, can be slipped from their loosely held buttons and allowed to swing carelessly away from the throat.



This Model Has an Interesting Trimming of Blocked Linen, a Part of the Pattern of Which is Embroidered.

one returns from abroad having seen all the styles in the world, one's eyes are overjoyed at the sight of the American suit, so beautifully cut and fitted, so artistically worn. An American woman needs a suit in her wardrobe and, if her circumstances are such that she can have nothing else, then she, somehow, makes that suit fit in with every occasion demanding her presence.

Our sport clothes, too, are a national expression which has nowhere else been equaled. Our designers have combined grace and beauty, in this direction, with utility, and we have at the disposal of our buying capacities the best selection of outdoor costumes that have anywhere been gathered together. We have

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Reds and Art.

The Russian Reds are guilty of much rough work, but it appears that they do sometimes know and reverence the treasures of art. The famous Hermitage gallery in Petrograd has been reopened and again all the paintings it once contained, except a few unimportant ones, are hung. In this collection are great masterpieces bearing the names of Titian, Van Dyck, Rembrandt, Velasquez and Murillo. The Bolsheviks removed the paintings to Moscow in the spring of 1918 when it was feared the Germans would capture Petrograd, and the priceless paintings were placed in the hands of a committee at the head of which is the novelist, Maxim Gorky. Private collections which the owners turned over to the Gorky committee are also safe.

Long-Lived Ex-Governors.

The recent death of former Gov. Tom Ferguson of Oklahoma, brings to light that the men who have been governors of this state have been men who, as a rule, have been long lived. The territory was opened to settlement in 1889, and the territory and state together have had 11 governors, all of whom are living but two—Andrew J. Seay, who died at Long Beach, Cal., four years ago, when eighty-four years old, and T. B. Ferguson.—From the Oklahoman.

His satanic majesty doesn't worry about the man who is going to reform tomorrow.

Kind faces are always beautiful.

HIS "HUNCH" WAS CORRECT

Actor's Assertion That Someone in the Audience Had a Bottle Quickly Proved True.

A peculiar incident happened in a local theater, which provided enough comedy to make the performance very amusing. In one of the acts, prohibition was made the butt of all the actor's jokes, and he happened to be one of those fellows who makes reference to the audience.

"Where is that bottle?" he shouted at the audience. "Someone in the house has a bottle, with the cork off." Hardly had the laughter subsided when there was a "plunk," as a bottle dropped accidentally from the grasp of someone down in front. It happened just at the opportune moment and the house went into roars of laughter. Whoever dropped it made no attempt to reclaim it, even though the bottle might have contained anything from milk to medicine. But the M. A. T. has been told by someone who was close to the sound that some time after he saw a woman slowly making an attempt to reach for the fallen wet goods.—Lawrence (Mass.) Telegram.

Sounds Reasonable.

Three-year-old Artie wasn't feeling very well. Papa said: "Let me see your tongue. Your head seems quite hot." After looking at it, papa said, "Your tongue has a little coat on it." Artie looked surprised. "Is it the little coat that keeps my head hot, papa?" he asked.—Boston Transcript.

He Turned the Corner—

The man in the fog thought he was lost, but he turned the corner — there was his own home!

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